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United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 2712.

(Given pursuant to section 4 of the Food and Drugs Act.)

U. S. v. Three Barrels Shredded Cocoanut. Decree of condemnation by default. Product ordered destroyed.

ADULTERATION OF COCOANUT.

On May 17, 1911, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of three barrels of shredded cocoanut, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages and in possession of M. Blumenfield, doing business under the trade name of Savannah Bag Co., Savannah, Ga., alleging that the product had been shipped on May 8, 1911, by I. Dorfman & Son, New York, N. Y., and transported from the State of New York into the State of Georgia, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The product was unlabeled except for initials "H L."

Adulteration of the product was alleged in the libel for the reason that it consisted in whole of a filthy and decomposed vegetable substance, to wit, rancid cocoanut, in a condition unfit for food within the intent and meaning of section 7, paragraph 6, defining adulteration of food, in the Act of Congress approved June 30, 1906, entitled the Food and Drugs Act, vol. 34, U. S. Stat. L., chap. 3915.

On September 14, 1911, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product should be destroyed by the United States marshal.

C. F. MARVIN,
Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *October 7, 1913.*

